

## Brief And Breezy.

Those who still doubt the Colonel's versatility should observe those Beveridge and Lodge endorsements.

Harmony in Massachusetts Democracy came with an awful wrench out it arrived.

It is said that President Taft's next message will be written at sea. He will not be the first President, however, to write a state paper while at sea.

Cities that padded the census returns might have known better than to try such a dodge on the unlucky thirteen census.

Philadelphia ought to have waited and taken her census while the world's championship series was on.

The Louisville Courier Journal says that there are two Roosevelts. The one that speaks for Beveridge and the one that speaks for Lodge. Mr. Watterson means.

It is feared that Mr. Roosevelt is enrolling some men as progressives without making diligent inquiry as to whether it will interfere with their politics.

Base Ball likewise has its land-slides.

And yet "Walter Wellman's Wonderings" may become one of the six best sellers.

Perhaps the Quakers would like to ask the Chicago Cubs the time honored question "If there is any other game they can play."

The news from Washington that Minneapolis has been caught padding her census must have made the folks pop in St. Paul.

Omaha is another of the cities which is reading of the census experience of Tacoma with considerable interest.

Mr. Taft has returned to the White House once more, and that will be his address until further notice. Perhaps until the composition of his message to Congress.

Entirely unnecessary for Senator Lodge to explain the tariff isn't the real cause of high prices. Its makers will discover the people know where to lodge the responsibility November 8.

With "T. R." on one flank and "W. H. T." on the other, isn't Candidate Stimson likely to get his "O. K.'s" mixed.

It would be interesting to hear the Colonel's answer to the question "What is a progressive?"

By the way, what's become of the majority report of the Ballinger Committee?

Some people are worried over Champ Clark's idea of admitting everything free. They say it would be impossible to run the government. Why not let the government wait? It has been running long enough.

Within a few days the Colonel has publicly been called "a liar," a "dishonest man," and an "absurd egotist." Meanwhile he is reported to have done nothing more along these lines than to term a certain judge "jackass and crook." The Colonel is getting behind in the game.

What is especially needed this time is an infallible virus test to tell whether a public man is a fool, a demagogue, or just a plain statesman.

Gertrude Atherton is quite sure a woman can smoke cigarettes and be a lady. Not if she blows the smoke out through her nostrils.

Every time some doctor invents a new cure, some other doctor discovers a new disease.

With Colonel Roosevelt and Mr. Stimson losing their voices, the New York Republicans will be obliged to trust to vox populi.

Language with Colonel Roosevelt is not so much a matter of form as of warm.

The Chicago Tribune says "Perhaps now is as good a time as any for a religious awakening in this city." Always is a good time for that in Chicago.

"I do not know how a man without truthfulness is to get on" says a transition from Confucius. Some of the members of the present day Ananias Club, however, have been pretty successful in a material way.

The two candidates for governor of Nebraska seem to have caught the Rooseveltian fever and are engaged in calling each other liars. And they seem to be proving it.

The New York Tribune says that the mayor has not closed a show this season on account of immorality. Most of them are tried out and trimmed to decency in Washington.

The present is the real era of thrift not wastefulness. An Illinois Central Official with a salary of \$17,000 a year has been able to save over half a million in the last four years.

The scientists who declare that the grasshopper serves no useful purpose probably never paid a small Indiana boy 25 cents a dozen to capture them for bass bait.

So, after 18 years of faithful service Mr. Barnes is turned out to pasture. And yet some folks are asking if Roosevelt won.

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